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<b>PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:</b>	<b>Board of Electrical Examiners</b>
<b>MEETING DATE AND TIME:</b>	<b>Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 8:30 a.m.</b>
<b>PLACE:</b>	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware <b>FIRST FLOOR PSC CONFERENCE ROOM</b> Cannon Building
<b>MINUTES APPROVED:</b>	

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Daniel Creedon, President, Professional Member  
Bobby Murrian, Vice-President Officer, Professional Member  
Nathan Schreppler, Board Secretary, Public Member (departed meeting at 10:45a)  
Michael Travers, Continued Education, Professional Member  
Thomas Hartley, Complaint Officer, Professional Member (departed meeting at 10:30a)  
Robert MacLennan, Professional Member  
Frank Beebe, Public Member  
Richard Millar, Public Member

**ABSENT**

William Poore, Public Member

**DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL**

Kevin Maloney, Deputy Attorney General  
Maggie Strauss, Administrative Specialist II

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Blaine Clothier	Jammie Collins
Joe Williams	Karen Kennedy
Cheryl Heiks	Bo Worley
Jean Elliott	Cameron Worley
Jeff Dawson	William Tidaback
Dennis Baldwin	Eric Hughes
Marie James	Robert Smith
Jane Quillen	Stephen Whaley, Jr.
Lisa Baldwin	

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Creedon called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m., recess until 9:30a to review applications.  
Meeting reconvened at 9:30a.

### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Hartley, to approve the meeting minutes from November 6, 2013. The motion was unanimously carried.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **Proposal to Deny Hearing of Dennis Baldwin**

Mr. Maloney called the hearing to order at 9:31a.m. and stated that today's hearing was a result of the Board's proposal to deny the Journey person application of Dennis Baldwin. Mr. Baldwin was represented by his attorney Mr. James Liguori.

The Board members were introduced. The application was proposed to deny due to having charges related to the profession of electrical services under 17.1.9 of the Rules and Regulations. Mr. Maloney stated the application, documents, and correspondence letters as board exhibit #1 Mr. Baldwin and his character witnesses: Ms. James, Ms. Quillen, Mrs. Baldwin, Mr. Dawson and Ms. Collins were collectively sworn in.

Mr. Liguori introduced himself to the Board as Mr. Baldwin's legal counsel. He expressed to the Board that Mr. Baldwin has exhibited no criminal conduct since his 1999 conviction. He intended to show through the testimony of witnesses that Mr. Baldwin is now a law abiding, hardworking citizen of this state.

Mr. Liguori called the first witness, Mr. Dawson, to testify. Mr. Dawson stated that he has been a Master electrician in DE since 1993, and he also holds licenses as a master in MD and VA. Mr. Dawson went on to further testify that Mr. Baldwin has worked for him "off and on" from 2002 through 2008, and that he recently rehired him in May/June of 2013. It is Mr. Dawson's opinion that Mr. Baldwin is a very good electrician, and that it would "hurt DE not to license him".

Mr. Schreppler asked Mr. Dawson to give an example of Mr. Baldwin's experience working with the public, to which Mr. Dawson responded that Mr. Baldwin has worked in doctors office's, done both residential and commercial work, and he has received no complaints in reference to his professionalism. He is very comfortable sending him to any job site. He also stated that Mr. Baldwin has only been working in MD while awaiting DE licensure.

Mr. Liguori called the second witness, Ms. Quillen, to testify. She stated that she has known the respondent for about 12 years, and that she met him through her late husband. She is friendly with both he and Mrs. Baldwin. Ms. Quillen further testified that Mr. Baldwin is always helpful to anyone who needs it.

Mr. Liguori called the third witness, Ms. Collins, to testify. Ms. Collins is the niece of Mr. Baldwin, and agreed when questioned by Mr. Liguori that Mr. Baldwin is law abiding and of good moral character.

Mr. Liguori called the fourth witness, Ms. James, to testify. She stated that she has known Mr. Baldwin approximately 10 years and has never had any issues of any kind with him. She also responded when questioned by Mr. Liguori that Mr. Baldwin is law abiding and of good moral character.

Mr. Liguori called the fifth witness, Mrs. Baldwin to testify. She stated that she has never had any problems with Mr. Baldwin's moral character and that he has abided by the law to the best of her knowledge.

Mr. Baldwin thanked the Board for their time and consideration today. He testified that he is not currently under investigation for any crimes and he has not been in any trouble since his conviction. He has admitted to his crime, served his time, and just wants to move on with his life. He hopes to be able to continue his electrical career in DE.

Board went into deliberations at 9:51a. After hearing the testimony given, the Board was in agreeance that they were comfortable with the length of time that has passed since the conviction. The witness testimony provided enough evidence of good moral character.

A motion was made by Mr. Hartley, second by Mr. Beebe to approve a Journey person license for Mr. Baldwin based on the explanation of the criminal history and character reference testimony. The motion was unanimously carried.

The hearing went off record and adjourned at 9:54a.

**Proposal to Deny Application of Blaine Clothier**

Mr. Maloney called the hearing to order at 9:55a and stated that today's hearing was a result of the Board's proposal to deny the Master Electrician Special (elevators) application of Blaine Clothier.

The Board members were introduced. The application was proposed to deny due to having charges related to the profession of electrical services under 17.1.4 of the Rules and Regulations. Mr. Maloney restated board's exhibit #1 as the application, documents, and correspondence letters. Mr. Clothier was sworn in.

Mr. Clothier submitted 3 letters of character reference, which Mr. Maloney marked as respondent's exhibit 1. Mr. Clothier testified that he was convicted in 2005, and served the imposed sentence. During that time he completed all the required treatment programs imposed with his sentence both during his incarceration as well as after his release. He also sought mental counseling on his own recourse. He also continues to attend AA meetings.

Mr. Clothier called Mr. Williams to testify on his behalf. Mr. Williams stated that he is a business representative for IUEC Local 5 and has never heard any complaints against Mr. Clothier. He went on to state that he is a good mechanic, drives the company vehicle, and is very good at handling even the most difficult clients with professionalism. Mr. Williams went on to state that Mr. Clothier recently won an award for being an outstanding member of the union chapter.

Mr. Clothier answered questions from the Board pertaining to his arrest and the events leading up to his conviction.

The Board went into deliberations at 10:05a. After hearing testimony and reviewing the letters of reference and NEIEP certificate, the majority felt that the applicant has served his time and provided evidence of character.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Murrian to approve the Master Electrician Special (elevators) license for Mr. Clothier based on evidence presented at today's hearing. The motion was unanimously carried.

The hearing went off record and adjourned at 10:06a.

**Proposal to Deny Hearing of Edwin Everitt**

Mr. Maloney called the hearing to order at 10:07a and stated that today's hearing was a result of the Board's proposal to deny the Master Electrician application of Edwin Everitt.

Mr. Everitt did not appear for the hearing.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Beebe, to deny the application for Master Electrician for failure to appear at two scheduled hearing. The motion was unanimously carried.

The hearing went off record and adjourned at 10:09a.

**Proposal to Deny Hearing of Michael Gandy**

Mr. Maloney called the hearing to order at 10:10a and stated that today's hearing was a result of the Board's proposal to deny the Master Electrician application of Michael Gandy.

Mr. Maloney advised the Board that he excused Mr. Gandy due to the length of time elapsed since his previous discipline and because he has met all of the requirements for his current application.

The Board went into deliberations began at 10:14a. After review of the application and supporting documents, the Board was satisfied with the proof of experience and continuing education provided by Mr. Gandy.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Creedon to approve the Master Electrician application for Mr. Gandy. The motion was unanimously carried.

The hearing went off record and adjourned at 10:16a.

**Re-Review of Applications**

A motion was made by Mr. Creedon, second by Mr. MacLennan to approve Raymond P. Knox to sit for the Journeyperson examination. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Creedon; second by Mr. MacLennan to table the Master Special application for Leon Shaw for verification of experience hours (requested W2's). The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Creedon, second by Mr. MacLennan to approve Cesar Rios-Martinez and Francis R. Coco to sit for the Master Electrician examination. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Creedon, second by Mr. MacLennan to approve Cameron B. Worley to sit for the Master Special – elevator examination. The motion was unanimously carried.

**Review of Applications for Final Denial**

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Murrian to impose a final denial on the Journeyperson applications of: Phillip E. Andrew, Thomas Barnett, Vincent J. Broomall, John M. Carr, William D. Crockett, Calvin L. Duker, Jacob M. Gibbons, Christopher W. McKinley, Ronald A. Mancuso, Raymond H. Morris, Jr., Joseph Nardoizzi, Vincent Porcellini, Raymond M. Stevens, Kenneth C. Stewart, and Joseph W. Robinson. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Murrian to impose a final denial on the Master Electrician applications of: Joseph Lash, and Brent R. Courtney.

### **New Business**

#### **Review of Examination Applications**

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Beebe to approve the Master Electrician applications to sit for the exam of: Jesse W. Torrens, Stephen Whaley, Jr., and Scott J. Hewitson. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Beebe to approve the application of Joseph Robinson to sit for the exam of Limited Electrician. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Beebe to approve the applications of Randolph S. Moody, Joseph L. Ambusio and James Worley to sit for the Master Specialty Elevator Electrician exam. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Beebe to table the Master Electrician application of Mitchell A. Heil for proof of experience and to table the Master Special Elevator application of John Quinn pending examination results. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Beebe to approve the master special elevator application of Alan J. Wittenberger, contingent upon proof of liability insurance coverage. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **Review of Journeyperson Applications**

A motion was made by Mr. Murrian, second by Mr. MacLennan to approve the Journeyperson applications to sit for the exam of: Dustin Welch, David Morris, Joshua Summers, Damon Scott, III, Christopher Wilson, Gregory J. Margerison, Cary J. Sumser, Francis F. Oberly, and Paul L. Golden.

A motion was made by Mr. Murrian, second by Mr. MacLennan to table the Journeyperson application of Richard A. Rothenberger for proof of experience via submission of W2's, and to table the application of Micah Gastineau for not providing criminal background history. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **Review of Apprentice Applications**

N/A

#### **Review of Reciprocity Applications**

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Murrian to approve the Master Electrician applications of: Bruce J. Thompson, Eric W. Hughes, William H. Frazier, and Matthew Rovito. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Murrian to table the Master Electrician applications of Christopher M. Borsello and Richard A. Yates for lack of proof of 5 years of experience. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Murrian to propose to deny the applications of Donny B. McClough and Brian M. Martin due to lack of experience. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **Ratification of Applications**

A motion was made by Mr. Murrian, second by Mr. MacLennan to approve the ratification of Apprentice Electrician applications of: Justin Edwards, Joshua Hackett, Dean Mills, Andrew Turner, John Abbott, Valentino DiEmedio, William Paige, Nicholas J. Sinclair, Matthew A. Chance, Michael S. Pugh, Robert C. Harrity, Justin D. Natale, Shane T. Combs, Alex P. McClain, Devin M. Trotman, Eric M. Summerfield, Darrin C. Raetsch, Richard D. Carter, Kevin M. Snyder, Andrew F. Swayne, Joseph A. Cooper, Kevin N. Cotton, Ethan G. Schlegel, Matthew R. O'neal, Robert J. Lawson, Zachary R. Sonnier, Jake P. Ritter, Zachary W. Gwaltney, and Cody R. Lynch. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Creedon to approve the ratification of Journeyperson Electrician applications of: Victor M. Macy, Brent A. Appler, Matthew J. Rehrig, Gerald A. Roccato, Fridrik G. Olafsson, Matthew M. Sutton, Thomas J. McAnally, Bradley D. Chapman, William P. Fisher, John E. Helsel, II, Chris W. Panico, Vandy M. Akin, Mark A. Reddish, Robert W. Watson, John D. Manerchia, David B. Katrinak, Jeffrey L. Price, Joseph H. Cichon, Daniel G. Marquardt, Stephen Bandura, Mark G. Ciavaglia, Steven K. Singleton Earl R. Rudderow, Robert B. Kincaid, Jr., Coby J. Rowe, and Bryan E. Fischer. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Murrian, second by Mr. Beebe to approve the ratification of Master Electrician applications of Brandon W. Knight, Nicholas E. Armstrong, John C. Vickers, and Jeffrey P. Gaynor. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **Applications for Review – Deputy Attorney General**

A motion was made by Mr. Beebe, second by Mr. MacLennan, to approve the Apprentice application of James M. Whitmore. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Beebe, second by Mr. MacLennan, to approve Alvin Pardo-Monell to sit for the Master Electrician examination. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Beebe, second by Mr. MacLennan, to propose to deny the Journeyperson Electrician applications of Matthew J. O'Grady and Norman Mickens for having been convicted of crimes substantially related to the profession of electrical services. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Beebe to allow Christopher Kirk to reactivate his Journeyperson license and have his Master Electrician license remain inactive. The inactive license will still need to follow the inactive guidelines as described in the rules and regulations that govern the Electrical Examiners. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **Complaints Status**

01-04-09-Office of Attorney General  
01-01-11-Assigned to Hearing Officer  
01-08-11-Assigned  
01-01-12-Assigned to Hearing Officer  
01-02-12-Office of Attorney General  
01-04-12-Assigned  
01-06-12-Office of Attorney General

01-07-12-Office of Attorney General  
01-08-12-Office of Attorney General  
01-09-12-Assigned  
01-12-12-Office of Attorney General  
01-16-12-Office of Attorney General  
01-18-12-Office of Attorney General  
01-21-12-Office of Attorney General  
01-22-12-Office of Attorney General  
01-24-12-Assigned  
01-25-12-Office of Attorney General  
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01-29-13 - Office of Attorney General  
01-01-14 – Assigned

### **Continued Education**

A motion was made by Mr. Travers, second by Mr. Schreppler, to approve the following continuing education courses:

American Eagle Inspection Agency, Inc.

- 2014 NEC Residential Wiring Methods & Most Common Violations - *5 Hours*
- 2014 NEC Commercial Wiring Methods & Most Common Violations – *5 hours*
- 2014 NEC General Electrical Installations – *5 hours*

M.S. Electrical Training, LLC/Martin Schumacher

- 2014 NEC Code Change Seminar (5 hours) – *5 hours*
- 2014 NEC Code Change Seminar (10 hours) – *10 hours*

Walter W. Granger, Jr., Inc. d/b/a Bay Area Inspection Agency  
-2014 NEC Code Change Seminar – 5 hours

Electric League of Maryland  
-2014 NEC Code Changes - 10 hours *\*\*contingent upon receipt of course outline\*\**

IEC Chesapeake  
-PV Systems & NEC – 8 hours  
-NEC 702 Standby Generator 101 – 4 hours  
-NEC 220 Generator Load Calculations – 4 hours  
-2014 Changes to the NEC – 10 hours  
-2014 Changes to the NEC – 3 hour -3 hours  
-2014 Grounding & Bonding – 8 hours

Mike Holt Enterprises  
-Changes to the NEC 2014 Seminar – 8 hours

Computer Career Center LB d/b/a Vista College  
- NEC Code Changes 2011 – 4 hours *\*\*contingent upon receipt of instructors resume\*\**

Code Instruction Services, Inc.  
-2014 NEC Changes – 5 hours  
-2014 Residential Changes – 5 Hours  
-2014 Commercial Changes -5 hours

JADE Learning  
-2014 NEC Changes (online) – 10 hours

IUEC Local #5  
-KEB Elevator Products Training – 6 hours  
-Swift Futura Generation One – Installing/Adjusting/Troubleshooting – 12 hours  
*\*\*contingent upon receipt of course hour breakdown\*\**  
-Intro to Magnatek Elevator Drives – 3 hours

EC&M Workplace Learning Center  
-EC&M's 2014 NEC Code Change Conference - *\*\*pending course description, outline, time breakdown and instructor resume\*\**

RedVector.com  
-2014 NEC Changes – Articles 90, 100, and 110 (RV-10512) – 2 hours  
-2014 NEC Changes – Chapter 2: Wiring & Protection (RV-10513) – 2 hours  
-2014 NEC Changes – Chapter 3: Wiring Methods & Materials (RV-10514) – 2 hours  
-2014 NEC Changes – Chapter 4: Equipment for General Use (RV-10515) – 2 hours  
-2014 NEC Changes – Chapter 5: Special Occupancies (RV-10516) – 2 hours  
-2014 NEC Changes – Chapter 6: Electric Signs & Outline Lighting (RV-10517) – 2 hours  
-2014 NEC Changes – Chapter 7: Special Conditions (RV-10518) – 2 hours  
-2014 NEC Changes – Chapter 8: Communications Systems (RV-10519) – 1 hour



Johnnie Miller\*  
-The 2014 NEC – 5 hours

Diamond Electric, Inc.\*  
-70E Electrical Safety Training – 3 hours

The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **Review & Signing of Consent Agreements**

Consent Agreements for Ed Wilson, James Howard, and Justin Pyle were signed by the Board members.

#### **Review & Discussion of Recommendations of Hearing Officer**

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Beebe to accept the Recommendations of Hearing Officer as written of Matthew W. Estep and Barry D. Groves. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Murrian to accept the Recommendations of Hearing Officer as written of Gerard Jones, James R. McMickle, Peter V. Elmo, Albert K. Leightner, Keith Jones, Dean C. Levey, and Lambert A. Brown, Jr. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Murrian to table the Recommendation of the Hearing Officer in the matter of Niaz Mian for the February 5, 2014 meeting. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **Signing of Orders**

The Board tabled the signing of Orders for Jacob E. Slawski and Michael J. Guns.

#### **Review of Audits**

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, second by Mr. Creedon to approve the audit for Michael L. Phebus. It was agreed that he may not use the same CE certificates for the next audit period. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Mr. Creedon summarized a letter to the Board from First State Inspection Agency announcing the consolidation of their Dover and Georgetown Offices. They will now operate out of Milford. The New Castle location will remain the same, as will the contact information.

Mr. Creedon summarized a letter from Kencor in reference to a change they proposed in the testing for the Master Electrical Special Elevator license given by Prometric. The letter highlighted areas including failure rates, lack of access to test prep materials, and inadequate testing procedures. Their proposed changes were to request test materials from the NAEC and develop a new test to be proctored at the University of Delaware.

Mr. Creedon summarized a letter from IREC in reference to Delaware updates. Upon his recommendation, the Board agreed to add the information to the next meeting agenda for a more in-depth review.

Mr. Creedon summarized a letter from Mr. Leager of Leager Septic, LLC. The letter was in reference to his concern with public safety from some proposed regulation changes to be imposed by DNREC and DOWRA. He feels the need for a licensed electrician to do any and all electrical work pertaining to septic systems.

## **OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD**

### **Review of Testing Companies**

Ms. Strauss summarized the events of a recent testing occurrence with Prometric. She also provided the total pass/fail numbers from the months of November and December for all electrical tests completed, as well as information regarding conversations with Prometric administrators about the electrical testing services. Ms. Strauss also provided information to the Board that was received from a potential alternative testing company, PSI.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Tidaback addressed the Board with several questions pertaining to solar installation licensure requirements. He asked for a clear definition of when solar installation becomes the job of a licensed electrician. Mr. Tidaback also suggested that a specialty license for solar installers be made available.

Mr. Worley addressed the Board over concerns with the rules governing elevator installation and the licensure requirements Delaware has to perform such work. He expressed his concerns that the regulation goes too deep for the amount of actual low-voltage electrical work an elevator mechanic actually performs. Mr. Worley also stated that he thinks the CET certification should be ample proof of education to obtain licensure and that Delaware should not impose any further testing if that certification is achieved because it is a nationally recognized exam.

Mr. Whaley introduced himself to the Board, stating that it was the first meeting he was able to attend, and was interested in the status of his application.

### **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next scheduled meeting will be held on February 5, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. Cannon Building  
861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware, Conference Room A, 2nd floor

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Beebe, seconded by Mr. MacLennan, to adjourn. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned at 12:27p.

Respectfully submitted,



Maggie Strauss  
Administrative Specialist II